Agenda for Budget Committee March 18, 2024 at the Town Hall 4:00 p.m.

Budget Committee Attendance: John Burrows, Debra Burrows, Diane Seehagen, Christine Giordano, and Thomas Lee.

Other Attendees: Matt Bors, Laura Fish, and Laura Lowe

The Budget Committee members came together as Matt received the budget actual amounts from Biddeford for Dispatch and the estimated amount for York County Tax from the County. The budgeted amount for Dispatch account #70-03-40-5675 went from \$80,595 to \$86,716. The budgeted amount for York County taxes account #95-01-60-5900 went from \$485,000 estimated total to \$528,500 estimated total. This number for State tax is based on our Town Evaluation.

1. Discuss/vote regarding the updated amount for dispatch account #70-03-40-5675:

John Burrows asked Matt Bors what this service is. Matt explained that this service is communication for answering 911 calls and dispatching for emergency services. It is charged at \$10.00 per capita. Like everyone they have had to increase wages to keep staff and hire more staff. This facility is in Biddeford and there are six communities that are partnered in this service. Diane Seehagen asked that if our Sherriff's Department is out of Sanford, when you call 911, does Biddeford answer and it get transferred to Sanford. Matt confirmed that this is what the procedure is.

<u>Vote:</u> Debra Burrows made a motion to accept the \$86,716 for dispatch. Diane Seehagen seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 - 0.

2. <u>Discuss/vote regarding the updated estimate amount for York County Tax account</u> #95-01-60-5900:

<u>Vote:</u> Christina Giordano made a motion to accept the \$528,500 estimated total for taxes. Debra Burrows seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 - 0.

3. <u>Discuss/vote to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2024 meeting:</u>

This item was moved to the next meeting as not all of the members had read the minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:39 p.m.